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TADASHI OKAMOTO ET AL. ) Examiner: E. Dejong  
Application No.: 10/601,777 ) Group Art Unit: 1631  
Filed: June 24, 2003 )  
For: A METHOD FOR ACQUIRING )  
INFORMATION OF A BIOCHIP )  
USING TIME OF FLIGHT )  
SECONDARY ION MASS )  
SPECTROMETRY AND AN )  
APPARATUS FOR ACQUIRING )  
INFORMATION FOR THE )  
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The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found, inter alia, in the attached English language abstracts and/or translations. In addition, the concise explanation of relevance for JP 9-500486 may be found in U.S. Patent No. 5,633,495, which is in the same patent family.

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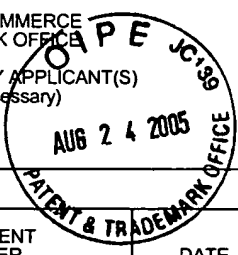
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		<b>5,633,495</b>	<b>05/27/97</b>	<b>Neihuis et al.</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>287</b>	
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